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vestigation is reaching out into the highways and byways is rather startling. Just where trouble will break out next is not He where trouble will break out next is not known, but it is said that the "worst is ou the 16th of July, and remained in over." It is bad enough in all conscience. over." It is bad enough in all conscience. Up to date the investigation has in-

volved the following: George W. Beavers, Chief of the Divi-

sion of Salaries and Allowances; resigned. dismissed.

George A. C. Christiancy, Assistant Attorney; suspended from duty.

Daniel V. Miller, Assistant Attorney; Joseph M. Johns, Rockville, Ind.; ar-rested on charges of conspiracy in the

August W. Machen, Superintendent of Free Delivery; dismissed and arrested on degree. The faculty has judged her fit for charges of bribery, in connection with a degree, but the male members of the

above case.

Samuel A. Groff, arrested on similar tion. charges; member of Washington Police Department; suspended from duty.

The Post Office is having troubles of various kinds, but never in all its history master, Amos Leedy, quite an old man, has been destroying valuable letters. The letmaster, Amos Leedy, quite an old man, has been destroying valuable letters. The letters were found in the waste paper, and he acknowledges that he threw them there. They had been untampered with, however, as could be plainly seen. They had very a prominent to be seen. held valuable evidence in a prominent land case that was on trial, but had tumbled round in the shoe-box post office for some time, and, nobody calling for them, Mr. Leedy concluded to have a housecleaning and threw the uncalled-for letters away. The non-appearance of the evidence caused an invastigation, with the any ground, and seems to think the first state of the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining any ground, and seems to think the first state of the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gain the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gaining the says that the "Iowa Idea" is not gain the says that the "Iowa Idea" i evidence caused an investigation, with the any ground, and seems to think that it will result as told. The Postmaster was let off be a "deader" by the time Congress con with a slight fine, as he was simply ig- venes. norant of his duties.

How will this strike our foreign friends? Col. Bingham, who is credited with being asked to resign as Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds, be-cause he did not approve of the manner in which Architect McKim was butchering the Executive Mansion and grounds, is now back in the Engineer Corps, where His first suggestion staggers even his firm-His first suggestion staggers even his hrmest friends. He proposes to dam the Shigara River at a point where Lake Erie empties into it, with the idea of raising the level of the Great Lakes, which for years has been falling, until it is said that his appointment is acceptable to both Senator Platt and Gov. Odell, and the said that there is an extreme of New York. is reported to-day that there is an extreme of New York. variation of five feet.

The Bureau of American Republics is to have a home of its own. This was decided at a meeting of the representatives of all the countries having a membership in the Bureau. It will be commenced within a year. It will be three stories in hight and conform to the style of the Government buildings.

own bottom. The new treaty marks a distinct milestone in Cuba's progress toward autonomy and nationality. Her international status is now regarded as permanent and fixed. The United States now formally withdraws its protectorate, which has been held ever since the expul-sion of Spain from the island, and leaves seek security and happiness in

down there. It is simply a menace to any is living and he is not an American, which meddlesome half-baked nation which would seem to bar him under the law. If meddlesome half-baked nation which would seem to bar him under the law. If might try to take a sneak into Cuba and Napoleon's head is used, it will be piaced conquer her. Cuba did not want us to on the five-cent stamp, which goes to all have even this much hold on her, but we countries in the Postal Union. retain it, thanks to Senator Platt.

From the reports of him he must be one of those misfits who mistake notoriety for fame. His name is against him, but he seems to have got it into his brain that he failed to pass the rigid examination re-mountain-sheep, besides goat. Only 16 seems to have got it into his brain that he will make a pretty good substitute in the United States Senate for the incumbent, English, failed. They hoped that "influence" would keep them in the service. The veteran who is growing gray in the service when "push" will keep ice of Arkansas. Senator Berry is a man "put." It may help him to get turbed," and said that it "was inclined there were having been distinguished by the parties of the results of the service of the ice of Arkansas. Senator Berry is a gentleman. It would be a pity to send sombody here from Arkansas to rattle ing on or quit.

one of his favorites, and he dotes on rag-He likes all the patriotic airs, kind of music that makes good marching

What the President will do to one Postmaster when he gets back to Washington will be a plenty. The chap who runs the post office at Scattle, Wash., must be a "defective." While the President was in that burg a lot of mail came for him, and the newspapers got the conceit that it officers in prison in "Camp Sorghum," would be a nice thing to say that for the near Columbia, S. C., Oct. 17, 1864: time that the President was in the city it was the "seat of the Government." the papers proceeded to comment on the letters to the President—the addresses on them, rather. The only way for the re-porter to know about these letters was for the Postmaster to violate his oath of office and let the reporter handle the mail. This would be bad enough, goodness knows, if it was simply the mail that goes to the people of the town, but to mummix over the President's private mail-well,

over the Presuction that is the limit! The President didn't know about the performance until he saw the papers. There he read that he had received two letters from Mrs. Roosevelt. Then the reporter went on to comment on the style and character of the handwriting of the Mistress of the White House. Mrs. Roosevelt writes the common big sprawly society hand. He said that it was evident that she was a careless writer, because she all but failed to make the final "t" in the Roosevelt, and that she forgot to properly make the final "e" in her husband's first name, it ending in a slide of Kansas 2 0 2 0 the pen. The article also said that there were daily papers sent to the President in Mrs. Roosevelt's handwriting, and commented on the probable marked articles they contained. Altogether, the story must have been something fierce, certainly must have been something nerce, certainly extremely discourteous to the National guest of the city, and if it does not result in the discharge of the delinquent postinite of irrigating canals and ditches, and the discharge of the delinquent postinite something depends on the standard consoling of the st in the discharge of the delinquent post-master, it will bring a reprimand that will

Comrade Levi M. Poor, Augusta, Me., a

The manner in which the Post Office in- Andersonville to the dead of that State who lie there. He went through Washington last week on his way to Andersonville, to select a site for the monument prisoners were taken out in 1865.

Miss Roosevelt is bound to be in the swim. She has purchased a big "Red Devil" automobile, at a cost of \$2,500 James N. Tyner, Assistant Attorney- long trips on his return from the West. and proposes to take her father on some General for the Department; summarily Miss Roosevelt has an independent for tune of her own. She will spend her Summer with her maternal grandmother. Miss Roosevelt does not spend much of her time at home.

dismissed and arrested on charges of bribery in connection with the get-rich-quick concern of John J. Ryan & Co.

Here's a pretty condition of affairs. Three of the uine students of the Columbian University of Law declare they will Here's a pretty condition of affairs! not appear or take part in the commence-ment exercises of the school, if Mrs. Emma Reba Bailey, the only woman member of the graduating class, is given a patent mail-box fastener supplied to the graduating class say she is not. As they Government by Groff Brothers, of Wash-will be biting off their own noses to spite ington.

Diller B. Groff, real estate agent, arrested on charges of offering bribes in the known from the beginning of the term that Mrs. Bailey was studying for gradua-

The White House is putting on its Sum mer dress. The walls of Red. Blue and Green Parlors are hung with silk velvet of various kinds, but never in all its history the large that a case of "malfeasance" in office like that at Leedy, Okla. The Post-with the colors and texture, so those who

Mrs. Roosevelt went to Groton last week to attend the graduation exercises of the school which her two sons, Theodore and Kermit, are attending.

Charles Hallam Keep, of Buffalo, N. Y., has been appointed Assistant Secretary of the Treasury to succeed Milton B. Ailes g the Executive Mansion and grounds, now back in the Engineer Corps, where will make a name and achieve fame. is first suggestion staggers even his firmtic friends. He proposes to dam the

The only feasible plan for raising the level of the lakes is to dam the Niagara at its source—a project which the Governments of the United States and Great Britain are now discussing.

A little boy of 13 died in Washington last week. Along with the obituary in the Washington papers, appeared the following, signed "By His Uncle"—
"Ch. Robbie, why did you wring my heart? Oh, Robbie, why did you blast my hopes?

Oh, Robbie why did you disobey-Or was it Fate?" The poor little chap must have done something awful to deserve such a "roast" as that—at 25 cents a line. If Robbie's spirit is loafing around anywhere in space he ought to get busy at the blasting busi-ness again, and fix that "Uncle's" good right arm so that he can't perpetrate any The Cuban treaty has been signed, the Platt amendment, which has been making the signing hang fire, has been agreed to, and Caba are a signing to the signing hang fire, has been agreed to, that "Robbie's Uncle" was really attempted.

to issue a set of postage samps for the Lou isiana Purchase Exposition, the denomina tions to be 1, 2, 5 and 10 cents. The engray ing to be done on these stamps is now unde civil order in her own way.

The Platt amendment simply gives us the right of intervention in time of trouble has been mentioned for the fourth, but he

> The slashing among Second Lieutenants tain their positions, are resigning, or being honorably discharged. A few who were

of the Cubans.

The Vote for Lincoln and McClellan. Capt. J. B. Kirk, 101st Pa., Lima, O. sends us the following tally of a vote taken upon the Presidential ticket by the

	LINCOLM.	MOCLELL	JOHNSON.	PREDLETO	Tores
Pennsylvania	197	35	187	26	
New York		29	170	29	1
Ohio	142	15	143	15	i
Indiana	68	8	68		100
Illinots	79	8	80	7	- 7
New Jersey	28	6	26	- 6	- 9
Iowa	35	0	35	6	- 8
Rhode Island	13	0	13	0	
Delware	3	0	2	0	
Maryland	21	- 2	21	2	
Kentucky	13	16	15	16	- 3
Florida	1	. 0	1	0	
Tennessee	26	0	81	0	
West Virginia	19	1	19	1	
Missouri	10	0	10	0	
Alabama	1	0	1	0	
Connecticut	35	8	35	8	
Wisconsin	19	1	19	0	
Vermont	29	1	29	1	
California	1	0	1	0	
New Hampshire	7	0	7	0	
Massachusetts	42	3	43	20	- 3
Maine	25	0	215	0	- 3
Michigan	40	10	40	10	- 1
		- 44			

Votes polled Officers in camp......Officers not voting.....

Irrigation in Colorado.

member of Seth Williams Post, is one of products, its agricultural products exceed the Commission to erect a monument at by far the mineral.

OUR LOVED ONES GONE BEFORE.

The following beautiful poem, by Dr. Thomas Calver, read by him on Memorial Day at the Soldiers' Home National Cemhad a sad significance to the ans at the Home. A year ago this Mem-orial Day Miss Lillian Calver, the only daughter of Dr. Calver, lent the sunshine of her presence to the day. A month ago all that was mortal of fair Lillian was iaid under the sod at Rock Creek Ceme tery adjoining the Soldiers' Home. She tery adjoining the Soldiers' Home. Sne had been much loved by the veterans there, who followed her to her last home with trailing colors and mourning hearts.

DR. THOMAS CALVER.

As Spring's reviving, suany smile And flowery woods and fields The sadness of our hearts beguile With nectar Nature yields. We may not hear the bells that tolled

As dust to dust we bore, see the arms of earth enfold Our loved ones gone before. We may forget our anguish deep, As helplessly we wept, To see how sure the endless sleep

Upon our loved ones crept; The eyes' mute call for help to live, That aching heartstrings tore; Their plea for aid we could not give Our loved ones gone before,

We may forget the hours we grieved And stood with helpless hands, As angel arms in love received Our own in far-off lands. The wasted form, the faded cheek, The lips that moved no more; The dark, wherein we vainly seek

Our loved ones gone before. In days of Spring, so fresh and bright, No more may come the thought Of watches through the silent night, When Death's dread host we fought: But when the shadows come again

To lonely hearts and sore, miss, oh, how we miss them then! Our loved ones gone before.

The truest hearts must suffer most, The largest hearts most ache, As Heaven's unseen, absorbing host The comrade spirits take Such greatest hearts the hardest fought To keep on hither shore The souls so dear whom angels sought-

Our loved ones gone before. And if in days of ease and peace We miss the souls that speed, How must the agony increase, How must the fond heart bleed,

In days when comradeship is all That cheers the battle's roar, To see, as we did, dear ones fall-Our loved ones, gone before!

Our comrades of the dreary tramp Through dust and scorehing heat; Our comrades in the fire-lit camp, When rested weary feet; Our comrades when the field was red With life-spent human gore— Oh, how our hearts for them have bled!-

Our loved ones, gone before. But days will come when we will know Just what this anguish means: When tears like diamond drops

glow. Sad eyes see golden scenes: The darker now, the brighter there, Upon that thither shore, Where we will find, as angels fair, Our loved ones, gone before.

> A TRIBUTE. For Memorial Day, 1903.

R. H. SHAFTOE. Go gather fairest flowers From the forest and the field: Let the garden and the greenhouse Their choicest treasures yield; Weave them into fragrant garlands. And lay them on the grave Of him who gave the best he had

Our Nation's life to save. Then sound the good old bugle; Let its tones be clear and strong. As it leads the mighty chorus Of a grand and noble song To the praise of living heroes Who, 'mid the deadly fray, Won honors for our Nation

For those who fought in blue and gray Go marching side by side; A great and happy people In security abide; Disunion now has passed away

That can never fade away

From our fair land so free; And Old Glory waves in triumph Over all, from sea to sea. The Rocky Mountain Goat Still Survives in

in Canada. , [Scribner's,1 The Rocky Mountain goat was the only

one of the larger wild animals that we Arkansas has for a Governor a "Jeff has begun. Those who took to the army one of the larger wild animals that we Davis" who seems to be one of the kind of men who are described out West as having the "foot-and-mouth" disease. In their social conditions, and who are too indolent to improve sufficiently to maineven at that time game was known to be scarce, Dr. Hector, in 23 days, while traversing the same ground as ourselves. there, but he has got to do his own hang. rather to seek our company than to shun it," and mentioned an instance of a full-grown animal coming "within five yards" The President likes "jingle" music, something that you can keep time to and that makes you want to "pat juber," and sets your feet a-going. "Garry Owen" is one of his favorites, and he deter on "s last sone," "It has just been made known that President likes "jingle" music, something that you can keep time to and think that they ever came within 2,500 to think that they ever came within 2,500 the We Sleep," "Over the Schoolhouse That Banner Shall Wave," and "My Father's Flag and Mine" are the titles of some of his favorites, and he deter on "s last Song," "O guard that Banner Shall Wave," and "My Father's Flag and Mine" are the titles of some of his favorites, and he deter on "s last Song," "O guard that Banner Shall Wave," and "My Father's Flag and Mine" are the titles of some of his favorites, and he deter on "s last Song," "O guard that Banner Shall Wave," and sets your feet a-going. "Garry Owen" is one of his favorites, and he deter on "s last Song," "O guard that Banner Shall Wave," and sets your feet a-going. "Garry Owen" is one of his favorites, and he deter on "s last song," "Our the Schoolhouse That Banner Shall Wave," and sets your feet a-going. "Garry Owen" is one of his favorites, and he deter on "s last song," "Our the Schoolhouse That Banner Shall Wave," and sets your feet a-going. "Garry Owen" is one of his favorites, and he deter on "s last song," "Our the Schoolhouse That Banner Shall Wave," and sets your feet a-going. "Garry Owen" is one of his favorites, and he deter on "s last song," "Our the Schoolhouse That Banner Shall Wave," and sets your feet a-going. "Garry Owen" is one of his favorites, and he deter on "s last song," "Our the Schoolhouse That Banner Shall wave," and sets your feet a-going that the sets of the sets and requested that it be not made known, about that distance, and never saw any as he dreaded the comment that would others closer, though it may be done ocle likes all the patriotic airs, because they are nearly all the music that makes good marching the because they are nearly all the music that makes good marching the patriotic airs, because they are nearly all the music that makes good marching the patriotic airs, because they are nearly all the music that makes good marching the patriotic airs, because they are nearly all the president of the United States the season (1901). The little animal was was contributing to a fund for the relief tied up at the back of the Mt. Stepher House, and became nearly domesticated in the course of a couple of months. Hasler sold his treasure to an American gentle man and it went to Philadelphia. smaller wild animals, however, were numerous and not difficult to catch; but some did not thrive and died in confine

In the Dim Future.

[Judge.] It is the year 1909. The fond young husband—husbands have not changed—sits at the breakfast table. His helpful young wife—wives have changed—comes in from the kitchen, bearing a plate heap-ed high with biscuits of her own making. The fond young husband bites into one munches the bite with an air ical study. Nervously she awaits the ver-

dict.
"They are my first effort," she murmurs. "How do you like them?"
Then is corroborated all that scientists have written concerning the eternal influ-

ences of heredity.

"Fairly good," concedes the fond young husband; "fairly good. But they are not so good as my father used to say his father said he had heard his father claim that his father's grandmother used to

Wonders of Radium.

Suppose one should hold a crystal of aidum in his hand with his face turned to the east. Suppose that one of the electrons were a leaden bullet circling the earth to its starting point. He would be shot in the back from the westward five Feb. 14, 1778, the first salute ever paid to times before he could fall to the ground, the American flag by foreign naval vesso rapid is the movement of the electrons.

Wasted Timber. wasted Timber.

Timber and lumber costing \$2,000,000 the combined capacity of its storage reservoirs is more than 100,000,000,000 cubic feet of water. Although Colorado leads all the other States in the Union in mineral products, its agricultural products exceed by far the mineral.

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Timber and lumber costing \$2,000,000 the preparatory work in the preparatory work in the preparatory work in the New York rapid transit tunnel. After it has been taken out of the tunnel it is of no further use except for firewood, the dampness and mud spoiling it for anything else,

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Anniversary of the Birth of the Banner of Beauty and Glory-A Suggestion as to Appropriate Exercises for Celebrating the Day—History and Poetry.

It is now a well established fact that the union be 15 stars, white in a blue Flag Day, the 14th of June, is one of the days that all patriotic schools should observe loyally. It was the day on which our young Nation severed irremediably its curred the War of 1812 with Great bur young Nation severed irremediably its curred the War of 1812 with Great last connection with England. It had delast connection with England. It had delared itself "frqq, and independent" nearly a year before, and had been fighting a desultory sort of a war to back up that declaration, but up to June 14, 1777, yet waving over the young Colonies, was the Union, Lock of Great Britain. By 1818 five additional States (Tennessee, Ohio, Louisiana, Indiana, and Mississerial and therefore a further change in the flag waving over the young Colonies, was the Union, Lack of Great Britain. Waving over the young Colonies, was the Seemed to be required.

Union Jack of Great Britain, and various other emblems in which bugs and bears and other beasts, reptiles and vegetation from lilies to paim trees played a part, but seemed to be required.

After considerable discussion in Conthe most helpful—yes, and most valuable gift he can distribute. Andrew Carnegie, the great millionaire, thinks so. See how

stripes, alternate red and white; that the mion be 13 stars, white in a blue field representing a new constellation.

So much we know, and nothing more of how the Flag came to be just the beautiful thing that it is. Not a scrap of writ-ing or print has come down to us to show who selected the stripes, the stars, or the ombination of red, white and blue. There has been a world of conjecture about it, but the fact remains that the Flag we call "Old Glory" is both fatheress and motherless, so far as its colors and design go.

It is not difficult for one who loves the

broad stripes and bright stars of the to believe that it really came to us as a heavenborn inspiration! A woman's deft fingers made the first

Flag and all the flags of the country for nearly 60 years. Betsy Ross, of Phila-delphia, who made the ruffled shirts that Washington wore, was selected by the committee of Congress to work out the design of the Flag as prescribed by Congress. George Washington, Robert Morris and a Col. Ross—not the husband of Betsy, however—were appointed a committee to have this Flag made. A myth-ical story is told about the refusal of Mrs. Ross to cut the six-pointed star, as sug-gested by Washington, it being, as she is reputed to have said, "the English star and the remnant of heraldry." The fivei sinted star which she did cut is the regu-lation star of all heraldry. It can be cut with one snip of the scis sors, so can the four, six and eight-pointed stars.

PROGRAM FOR FLAG DAY.

Many requests have come to The Na onal Tribune for poems for Flag Day, and outlines of programs fitted for such observance. As with Memorial Day poems and programs, it would be impossi-ble to send to individuals, but the desire for some thing of this character has been so general that the following suggestions

It is always well to interest the young in all such exercises. The children of the country are to be the bulwarks of the Nation, and if they are well grounded in its history and the story of its glorious achievements, the future is assured. If possible, the public schools of every section of the country should be interested in tion of the country should be interested in tion of the country should be interested in having Flag Day exercises. These need not be elaborate, find can take place in the assembly room of the school house, or, if more desirable, each room of a graded school may have its own program, suited to its pupils. It will serve a better and more patriotic purpose, however, if all the pupils and students, can meet together.

As Flag Day comes on Sunday this year, either Saturday or Monday might be observed. Get your minister to preach a Flag Day sermon on Sunday if possible. Hang out all your flags in the trees, from the windows or flagstaff and conx your neighbors to do the same. In arranging for such exercises the

Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief Corps and kindred organizations late a little incident of war in which the aving of the Flag occurred. Or a veteran could be asked to speak on one of several topics. "The Flag in battle," "The sym-bolism of the Flag," "The Flag on the march," "The Flag and what it means to the soldier," "The Flag in civil life;" any one or all of these topics could be made

extremely interesting.

Have a Flag drill by the little ones Dress them up in white, and don't forget to mingle with it in some fashion the red and blue. Give them Flags to carry, and then invent some pretty little evolutions ending in a salute to the Fag. The very

simplest of all the Flag salutes is as fol-"I give my head and my heart to God and our Country. One Country, one lan-guage, one Flag."

Have a color-bearer, at whom the little and people can point on the last sentence.

16 They should also touch the head and lay the hand over the heart.

Have good, clean, patriotic songs. Not necessarily war songs, though nothing finer will ever be written. Chaplain Lozier, the "singing parson," who could fight as well, has written some beautiful Flag and Memorial Day songs. "The Vet-

HAVE GOOD RECITATIONS.

Never let anything "cheap" mar the program. Do not invite any prosy speakers. All the time remember that the children must be interested, and no child will listen with patience to long, prosy school children of to-day are pretty well school children and they are fairly good rities. So it would be worse than useless o try to interest them in anything that is not full of snap and go. Little dialogues of a patriotic kind are interesting if properly presented, but, generally speaking, the programs should not

be made too long.

Always have a liberal supply of flags in the decorations. 10 1

If the exercises can be held out doors in a grove or park, so much the better. It should be a day for rejoicing, and you can have it just as noisy and full of fun as you like. In that respect it is unlike

Memorial Day. at al SOME "USEFUL FACTS.

Following are some facts which may be embodied in any speech or address upon the Flag:
Although the resolution establishing Flag was not officially promulgated by the Secretary of Congress until Sept. 3, 1777, it seems well authenticated that the Stars and Stripes were carried at the battle of the Brandywing, Sept. 11, 1777, and thenceforward during all the battles of the

Soon after its adoption the new Flag was hoisted on the naval vessels of the Inited States. The ship Ranger, bearing the Stars and

The Flag of the United States remained

FLAG DAY.

from lilies to palm trees played a part, but there was nothing distinctly "National" in the character of any of them.

Suddenly, on June 14, 1777, there was introduced into the Congress a bill to establish a National Flag. The American Congress that day in session in Independence Hall in Philadelphia "Resolved, That the Flag of the 13 United Colonies he 12 stripes about 13 United Colonies he 14 united Colonies he 15 united Colonies he 17 united Colonies he 18 united Colonies he 18 united Colonies he 18 united Colonies he 19 united Colonies he 1

nce for the standard of the Revolution: but it was also due to the fact that a further increase of the number of stripes would have made the width of the Flag out of proportion to its length, unless the stripes were narrowed, and this would have impaired their distinctness

seen from a distance. A newspaper of the time said:
"By this regulation the 13 stripes will represent the number of States whose valor and resources originally effected American independence, and the addi-tional stars * * will mark the increase of the States since the present Constitution * * * " titution No act has since been passed by Con-

gress altering this feature of the Flag, and it is the same as originally adopted, except as to the number of stars in its In the war with Mexico the National Flag bore 29 stars in its union; during the

war of the rebellion 35, and since July 4, 1896, 45 stars.

THE FLAG. flag swung high on a rampart bold, And the soldiers saw it blow; And the sun went down and the stars came out. And over the field died the battle shout,

A bell tolled firm in the mid-day air. And a flag fluttered over the trees, And the people gazed with proud demean On the flag that flaunted the starry thir High in the Midsummer breeze.

While the sentries paced to and fro.

The stars have grown since that far-off day. And the stripes are true and bright, And over the country they sweep afar-Gallant each stripe and gallant each star! Shining by day and by night.

A single bell tolled in the long ago, To rally the brave little band Where chimes now peel in the stiffeni breeze. And shouts ring joyously over the seas,

And flags wave over the land. OUR STAINLESS BANNER.

An Invocation. BY ROBERT BURNS WILSON.

Great God, the stately ships that ride Beneath our banner on the sea-The Nation's heart, the Nation's pride These we commend to Thee. These, with the brave devoted souls
Whose dauntless courage now must bide The shock of battle where it rolls And storms across the darkening tide,

These we commend to Thee.

If war's red wing must fill the cup good work. When possible, it would be an excellent idea to have a Grand Army man or a veleran of the Scopick W. When war's ced tempest sets the glare Of flaming madness round us, when Death-clamoring in the circling air-Whirls, threatening our defenders, then Our stainless flag defend.

> Our stainless flag, that never yet Dishonor nor defeat hath lowered— Untouched, unclouded by regret— Keep, with Thy flaming sword! Undimmed her stars, that never yet Their luster to shame's cause lent-Bright, like the stars which Thou hast se

Keep, with Thy flaming sword! COMRADES, JOIN THE FLAG OF GLORY. Comrades, join the flag of glory! Cheerily tread the deck of fame, Earn a place in future story,

To shine in Thy blue firmament-

Seek and win a warrior's name. Yankee tars can laugh at dangers While the roaring mountain wave Teems with carnage—they are strange To a deed that is not brave.

May our bannered stars as ever Splendidly o'er freemen burn, Till the night of war is over, Till the dawn of peace return.
—Song of 1813, Author Unknown. THE OLD PLAGS.

EDNAH F. B. PARKHURST, CHELMSFORD, MASS. They stand like veteraus in their rank

And they are veterans, too— For forty years and more have fled Since these old flags were new. h, backward look across those years And see the morn when they, All fresh and waving in the breeze,

Were borne to music gay. as down the street the boys in blue Marched with a steady tread, Leaving their homes to go where 'er

These starry banners led. It may be loyal women's hands
Did make these flags, while fears
Bowed low their hearts, and on the stripes Fell often scalding tears.

Those bars of red and white. Soon to be stained with deeper dye And tattered in the fight! Silent, yet speaking, witnesses

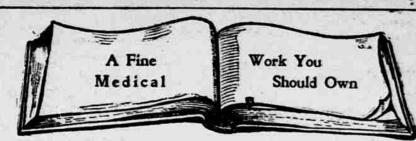
th, how the morning sunlight kissed

Of many a bloody scene Are they, which through the battle's din And smoke of war have been. But, after duty nobly done,
At such a rearful cost,
brought back again at last, thank God, With not a white star lost!

On each Memorial Day, In honor of the soldiers dead And living, too, oh! may There ever fender, loving thought
Rest on the pierced fags,
Blackened with age and heroes' blood,
The dear old battle-flags!

And when we gather as we do

STAND BY THE FLAG. Stand by the flag! your fathers fought Stand by the flag! for which those heroes



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> SALUTE THE FLAG. H. H. BENNETT.

Hats off!

Along the street here comes
A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums,
A flash of color beneath the sky.
Hats off! The flag is passing by!
Blue and crimson and white it shines Over the steel-tipped, ordered lines. Hats off! The colors before us fly; But more than the flag is passing by-

Alternates-M. G. Netherton, Gallatin; Edward Borck, St. Louis; C. W. Corkran,

Ridge; B. Waddington, Mexico.

Encampment meets next year at Lexington, Mo. A resolution was unanimously adopted declaring it inadvisable to hold the next National Encampment at St.

Briefly—they direct treatment to the symptoms instead of to the disease, a vital

A resolution indorsing the candidacy of Gen. John C. Black was adopted.

The Department of Missouri, W. R. C.

in session at Boonville during the Encamp-ment of the G. A. R., elected the follow-President, Mrs. Frances D. Van Slyke St. Louis; S. V. P., Mrs. Frances Arnold, St. Joseph; J. V. P., Mrs. Desis Gmelich, Boonville; Teas. Mrs. Laura Hutchison, Willow Springs; Sec., Mrs. Sarah V. Sringer, St. Louis; Chaplain, Mrs. Emma Cooper, St. Charles. Executive Board — Chairman, Mrs. Clara Key, Mountain Grove; Mrs. Jennie Boffman, Kansas City; Chairman, Mrs. Chara Key, Mrs. Grove: Mrs. Jennie Boffman, Kansas City; Mrs. Mary Jones, Pierce City; Mrs. Mary Bangert, St. Louis: Mrs. Cora Ziebold, Appleton City; delegate 2-large, Mrs. Mattie Rich, Moberly; delegates, Mrs. Mary Calkins, Mrs. Sophia Evers and Mrs. Eunice Shuler, St. Louis; alternate-at-large, Mrs. Ann Miller, St. Louis; alternates, Mrs. Lizzie Mason, Appleton City; Mrs. Mary Leeds, Hannibal, and Mrs. Hannah Hayes, Kansas City; Inspector, Mrs. Mary Nettler; Counselor, Mrs. Lucinda Scott, Moberly.

1. "e newly elected officers were installed by Mrs. Belle M. Satterly, of St. Louis. Mrs. Ho."en E. Day, of Kansas City, Mrs. Ho."en E. Day, of Kansas City, Tetiring President, was presented with a handsome, gold with inlaid with diamonds.

Stand by the flag! that it may forever

Work of the Pension Office. The report of certificates issued for the week ended day 23 shows: Army Invalid: Original, 3; increase, 343; reissue, 22; estoration, 4; renewal, 6; supplemental, 2; duplicate.

restoration, 4: renewal, 6: supplemental, 2: deplicate, 14: accrased, 150. Total, 548.

Army nurses: Original, 3: reissue, 1. Total, 4.

Army Widows, etc. Original, 8: reissue, 7; renewal, 30: duplicate, 3: accrued, 2. Total, 132.

Navy Invalids: Original, 1; increase, 4: reissue, 1.

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Army Invalids (war with Spaln): Original, 5: increase, 13: reissue, 2; restoration, 1. Total, 21.
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Total, 13.
Navy Invalids (war with Spain): Increase, 3; dupilicate, 1. Total, 4.
Army Invalids (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 287; increase, 1,172; additional, 205; reissue, 25; restoration, 96; renewal, 53; supplemental, 4; dupilicate, 21; accrued, 246. Total, 210.
Army Widows, etc. fact of June 27, 1890): Original, 12; increase, 35; additional, 2; reissue, 1; renewal, 1; dupilicate, 4; accrued, 2. Total, 60.
Navy Invalids (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 12; increase, 35; additional, 2; reissue, 1; renewal, 1; dupilicate, 2; accrued, 2. Total, 56.
Navy Widows, etc. (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 2; restoration, 1; dupilicate, 1. Total, 4.
Mexican War Survivors: Original, 1; increase, 4; relssue, 17; accrued, 7. Total, 29.
Mexican War Widows: Original, 13.
Indian Wars: (1822-42) Widows: Original, 64.

MUSTERED OUT.

Over the steel-tipped, ordered lines.
Hats off! The colors before us fly:
But more than the flag is passing by—
Sea fights and land fights, grim and great, Fought to make and to save the state;
Weary marches and sinking ships;
Cheers of victory on dying lips;
Days of plenty and years of peace,
March of a strong land's swift increase;
Equal justice, and right, and law,
Stately honor and reverent awe;
Sign of a Nation, great and strong,
To ward her people from foreign wrong;
Pride, and glory, and honor, all
Live in the colors to stand or fall.
Hats off! Along the street there comes
A blare of bugies, a ruffle of drums,
And loyal hearts are beating high—
Hats off! The flag is passing by.

War will never cease while the field of battle is the field of glory, and the most luxurious laurels grow from a root nourished with blood.—W. E. Channing.

There is a peace more destructive of the manhood of living man than war is destructive of the manhood of living man than war is destructive of the manhood of living man than war is destructive of the manhood of living man than war is destructive of the manhood of living man than war is destructive of the material body. Climing are worse than bayonets.—Douglas Jerold.

Encampment of Missouri, G.A.R.

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The Encampment of Missouri, G.A.B.

The Encampment of the Department of Missouri, at Boonville, the week beginning May 11, was attended by over 300 past officers, officers and delegates. The parade was participated in by over 700 members of the Order. At the business meeting the following officers were elected:

Department Commander, Frank M. Sterrett, of Frank P. Blair Post, St. Louis, S. V. C., John T. Birdseye, Post 240. Roonville, Mo.; Medical Director, Dr. R. M. Steward, Mo.; J. V. C., Joseph Lieber, Post 240. Roonville, Mo.; Medical Director, Dr. R. M. Steward, Mo.; J. W. C., Joseph Lieber, Post 240. Boonville, Mo.; Medical Director, Dr. R. M. Steward, Post 4, Kansas City, Mo.; Department Chaplain, Rev. J. I. Martin, Independence, Mo. All were elected by acclamation.

Thos. B. Rodgers, Frank P. Blair Post, 1, St. Louis, was appointed Assistant Adjutant-General and Assistant Quartermaster-General.

The following were elected members of the Council of Administration: Francis P. Becker, Post 13, St. Louis; W. A. Fast, Post 53, Sedalia; A. N. Sraber, Post 25, Weilsville; John A. Blackwell, Post 82, Weilsville; Ernest Rotteck, Post 1, St. Louis, The St. Louis, A. Rosson, C. J. V. Martin, Brookfield; Joseph McAdoo, Springfield, T. J. Dockey, Kirkville, Alex McChauless, Moberly; Max Fritz, St. Louis; John A. Blackwell, Post 52, Weilsville; Ernest Rotteck, Post 1, St. Louis; John A. Blackwell, Post 82, Weilsville; Joseph McAdoo, Springfield, T. J. Dockey, Kirkville, Alex McChauless, Moberly; Max Fritz, St. Louis; John A. Blackwell, Wellsville; Alex McChauless, Moberly; Max Fritz, St. Louis; John A. Blackwell, Wellsville; Alex McChauless, Moberly; Max Fritz, St. Louis; John A. Blackwell, Post 82, Wellsville; Charles Garples, Kansas City, J. W. Blackburn, Malta Bend; Angust Bier, Martin, Cape Girardeau; John O'Bannon, Buffalo; Charles Garples, Kansas City, J. W. Blackburn, Malta Bend; Henry Evers, St. Louis; C. W. Corkran, Novelty, Charles Hiedringham, St. Louis; Thousands of brain workers and women wovelty. Charle

Edward Borck, St. Louis; C. W. Corkran, Novelty; Charles Hiedringham, St. Louis; W. R. Hacker, Joplin; T. H. Hagerty, St. Louis; Chas. E. Koken, St. Louis; Wm. H. Allen, Mound City; John Parsley, Toria; A. Van Meter, Lamar; John Stupp, St. Louis; Charles E. Wadleigh, Green Ridge; B. Waddington, Mexico.

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